



McAlester Scottish Rite

Orient of Oklahoma, AASR Southern Jurisdiction



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Masonic Center Hours:
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM (closed Noon
to 1:00) Monday–Thursday,
Closed on Fridays
305 2nd St.
McAlester, OK 74501
918-423-6360

Upcoming Events:

March 6th

Duncan Scottish Rite Chapter, 11:30 AM,
Jimmie's Egg, Duncan
Comanche County SR Chapter dinner mtg.,
Salsa Mexican Cafe, Lawton

March 7th

Indian Chapter, Scottish Rite Noon
McAlester Scottish Rite Center
Oklahoma County Scottish Rite Chapter,
OKC 1100

March 11th

Lodge of Perfection Meeting,
Meeting at 7:00 pm
McAlester Scottish Rite Center

March 20th

Muskogee Chapter, Scottish Rite
Masonic Temple Noon

Note: Scottish Rite Chapters and Societies,
be sure to notify the office of any changes in
meeting place and times.

Advisory Council and Officers

D. Larry Roberts, 33 Chairman
Mike Ebert, KCCH General Secretary
Jack Inman, 33, Member
William C. Cox, 33, Member
Thomas S. Crowl, 33 G.C., Member
Brett Cable, Venerable Master
Jimmy Whitfield, 33°, Wise Master
James Dulin, KCCH, Commander
Michael Bibee, Master of Kadosh

"AMERICAN HERITAGE REUNION **Saturday/Sunday** **April 13-14, 2019**

EARNING A PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIP

Begin with the upcoming Reunion
start earning your own Perpetual
Endowed Membership, (P.E.M.)

Option 1: Members who secured 20
candidates who complete their
Scottish Rite Degrees will receive a
P.E.M. paid by the Lodge of Perfection.
Petitions must have been sent
in after January 1, 1989.

Option 2: Members securing 12 candidates who complete
their Scottish Rite Degrees in a twelve (12) month period
of time will receive a P.E.M. paid by the Lodge of Perfection.

Option 3: Members attaining thirty (30) P.E.M. credits as
follows will receive a P.E.M. paid by the Lodge of Perfection:

- 1/2 credit for Affiliation (from out of state of Oklahoma)
- 1/2 credit for REINSTATEMENT
- 1/2 credit for Dues Collection

Check with the McAlester office for more information.



Charitable & Education Foundation

R. Bruce Hall, 33 President
Dave Donathan, 33 Vice-President
Jeremy Warren, 33°, Trustee
Advisory Council Trustees
Joe R. Manning, Jr., 33° SGIG

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Upcoming Reunions:

2019

April 13-14

October 19-20

Masonic Website of Interest

[Supreme Council 33 Southern Jurisdiction, Scottish Rite of Freemasonry](#)

[Supreme Council 33 Northern Jurisdiction, Scottish Rite of Freemasonry](#)

[Grand Lodge of Oklahoma](#)

[Scottish Rite, Valley of Guthrie](#)

[Scottish Rite, Valley of Tulsa](#)

[Scottish Rite Research Society](#)

[McAlester RiteCare Clinic](#)

VALLEY ACTIVITIES

Thurs., March 7, 11:30 am, S.R. Luncheon
McAlester Membership OKC lunch at the
Golden Corral, MacArthur & I-40, OKC
Candidates welcome and your meal is paid.
John Salisbury, Chairman will preside.

Mon. , March 11, 7:00 pm. Stated Meeting
McAlester Lodge of Perfection
Richards' Room, west end of the
S.R. Masonic Center

Sat. March 30, Perpetual Pathway
Host Lodge- S. McAlester #96
McAlester S.R. Masonic Center

March 30/31, Tulsa S.R. Reunion
2-316; Tulsa S.R. Masonic Center

April 5-6-7; Guthrie S.R. Reunion
3-Day; Guthrie S.R. Masonic Center

Fri. April 12; 6:00 p.m. Ducks dinner & mtg
Royal Order of the Duck reunion gathering
Richards Room; McAlester S.R. Center
Dinner, meeting and Hatching
Quack, Quack

Sat. & Sun. April 13 & 14; 2-Day Reunion
McAlester Scottish Rite Masonic Center
Registration begins at 7:00 a.m.; Saturday
Petitions will be available, BUT please get
them in Early, if possible.

Sat./Sun. May 16-17; Ducks Spring Migration
Mulberry Rook on Lake McAlester
Food, fellowship & quacking.



REUNION "WORKER" RECOGNITION

They say that an army travels on its stomach; and from the looks of it, Masons do too. It is time we recognized the "workers" in the



DINING ROOM

Morris Chiles, 33 -- Supervisor
 Al Barnett, KCCH
 Ralph Konerlick, KCCH
 Stan Wallace, KCCH
 Mike Sexton, KCCH
 Robert Padgett, KCCH
 Will Johnson; Lloyd Todd; John Dillisaw;
 Chris Botts; Greg Steidley; Charles Speir;
 Tyler Burnett; Cody Burnett
 and
 the Eastern Star ladies and Rainbow girls



(We enjoy the fruits of your labor)

QUOTABLE QUOTES:

The only thing better about being imperfect is the joy it brings to others.
 Doug Larson

I always cook with wine. Sometimes I even add it to the food.
 W.C. Fields

The only time to eat diet food is while you're waiting for the steak to cook. Julia Child

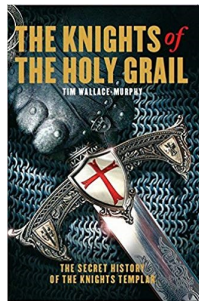
The word "aerobics" came about when the gym instructors got together and said, "If we are going to charge \$10 an hour, we can't call it "jumping up and down." Rita Rudner

QUOTABLE QUOTES: (continued)

If you don't have enemies, then you don't have character. Paul Newman

At the Sharper Image store, I saw a body fat analyzer. Didn't that used to be called a mirror. Jay Leno

BOOKS OF MASONIC INTEREST



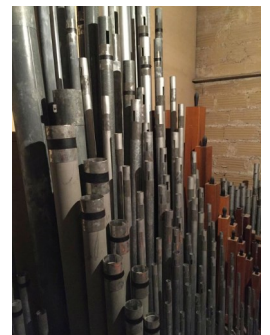
"The Knights of the Holy Grail"
by Tim Wallace-Murphy,
London, G.B

The author has published a number of books about the esoteric side of Templary. In this one he explores the Ancient Templar's relation to Rex Deus and the gnostic beliefs of the Cathars. He makes a case for the origin of a form of what is known as Christianity having originated in Egypt and having been passed down through Moses and Aaron, eventually taking taking root with the Essenes. He gives account of the origin of the Essenes and their relation to John the Baptist, Jesus and James the Just.

I believe you will find this book most interesting. It is certainly entertaining.



**McAlester Scottish Rite's
1930 W.W. Kimball, Organ
Located in the Auditorium**



WITHER ARE WE TRAVELING?

A letter from Dwight Smith, P.G.M. Grand Master of Indiana

The Wailing Wall is crowded these days. Masonic leaders, great and small, are lined up, each awaiting his turn to lift his voice in lamentation. The figures show a falling off of membership. Attendance at Lodge meetings is not what it used to be. The thing to do is to adopt this project or that gimmick, and then all will be well. As might be expected, the projects and gimmicks are about as impossible as they are ridiculous.

For several years the bosom-beating has been going on. Firing with a shotgun rather than a rifle, our leadership has offered little of a constructive nature. Prescriptions for the most part have constituted merely of sales talk for whatever pet scheme was being proposed. Only a few voices in the wilderness have made a mature and realistic appraisal.....

.....Wither, then are we traveling? I come to the conclusion,,,,,,with my faith in the basic worth of our ancient Craft undertaken, convinced that "the solution to Freemasonry's problems is Freemasonry."

Why do we not try it?
(Adapted from the book, printed by "The Masonic Service Association", 1987)

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED THE SCOTTISH RITE RESEARCH SOCIETY?

Arturo de Hoyos



We may not offer a free lunch, but we have something better. Perhaps the most popular benefit of the Society is the bonus item, free of charge, which is offered once a year. Although it has it has generally been a book, it is not always necessarily so. (continued on next page)



HAVE YOU CONSIDERED THE SCOTTISH RITE RE-SEARCH SOCIETY? (continued)

We have also sent video tapes (remember those?), compact disks, and specially produced posters. The books which are generally worth more than cost of a year's membership, have included some of the most popular publications produced by the Scottish Rite. If you had joined the SRRS in 1992, and maintained your membership, you would have received ,,,,benefits worth more than the fee.

BENEFITS OF SRRS MEMBERSHIP

- Access to the most current and latest papers of contemporary Masonic research.
- 10% discount on books and current items of the House of the Temple and the on-line store.
- The annual hardback of "Heredom" containing the best essays of the previous year on Masonic thought.
- The popular quarterly publication "The Plumblin"
- Early notice of upcoming conferences or meetings of current Masonic interest.
- Membership card and free lapel pin.

Three ways to join. On-line on the SRRS web-site; by Telephone 1-866-445-9196 and by Post to:

Scottish Rite Research Society
1733 16th Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20009-3103

SUPREME COUNCIL HISTORY continued:

The 1925 biennial session did not close before setting the date and place for the, now traditional, "annual" session for 1926. The date was set for October 25, 1926 in the Scottish Rite Cathedral at Omaha, Neb. (Continued next page)



SUPREME COUNCIL HISTORY continued:

After the "annual" session was opened, G.C. Cowles rather casually reported that during the past year, he had taken a world tour. On his tour he visited Supreme Councils in every jurisdiction that existed. The global excursion had not been announced earlier but apparently it had been good P.R. for the Mother Council of the Rite.

Cowles' Allocution began with a report on the damaging hurricane that had struck Miami and southern Florida in September. He had immediately sent \$2,000 to Florida to be used for distressed Masons. In addition, the Committee on Benevolence & Fraternal Assistance moved to send \$10,000 for the relief of Scottish Rite members in the affected area. The Council approved both donations.

Grand Master Herbert Holt of New Mexico was present at this session. He spoke in favor of the National Masonic Tuberculosis Sanatorium, a project the Council had considered in previous sessions. The Committee on Benevolence and Fraternal Assistance had reported in 1925 that it needed more information and had not received it. The Committee requested that the G.C. look into the program and report at the next session. The report of the Committee also informed the Council that since the last session some jurisdictions had begun their own fraternal assistance programs. (Which was what the Council preferred to be done.) Those jurisdictions were: Alabama, Kentucky, Nebraska, northern California and the Canal Zone. (Today, we call this "kicking the can.") The chairman of the Special Committee announced to the Council that their report would be given at the 1928 "annual" session.

to be continued.

Resource: "The Lodge of the Double-Headed Eagle"

by William Fox



IT IS ALL IN HOW YOU READ IT!

A blonde and a redhead have a ranch. They have just lost their bull. The women need to buy another, but only have \$500. The redhead tells the blonde, "I will go to the market and see if I can find one for under that amount. If I can, I will send you a telegram." She goes to the market and finds one for \$499. Having only one dollar left, she goes to the telegraph office and finds out that it costs one dollar per word. She is stumped on how to tell the blonde to bring the truck and trailer. Finally, she tells the telegraph operator to send the word "comfortable." Skeptical, the operator asks, "How will she know to come with the trailer from just that word?" The redhead replies, "She's a blonde so she reads slow: 'Come for ta bull.'"

***"There is nothing wrong with America
that the faith, love of freedom, Intelligence, and
energy of her citizens cannot cure."
Dwight D. Eisenhower***

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